

Allocation of Natural Gas

2975. SHRI CHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether comparative priority is given to power sector *vis-a-vis* fertilizer sector in allocation of Natural Gas/LNG; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) and (b) No further allocation of natural gas is being done and the Gas Linkage Committee set up for the purpose has been abolished by MOP&NG's order dated November 9, 2005.

Losses due to explosion in oil pipelines

†2976. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the ULFA has committed incidents of exploding oil pipelines with bombs in Assam and other North-Eastern States;

(b) if so, the incidents that has taken place in the years, 2004, 2005 and 2006, State-wise;

(c) the financial loss suffered due to this;

(d) whether Government are now planning to lay Bomb-proof oil pipelines for the security of pipelines; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) to (c) Some incidents of exploding oil pipelines have been committed in suspected acts of sabotage which took place during 2004, 2005 and 2006. The details alongwith losses are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) and (e) Pipelines are cross-country in nature and buried below ground. It is not feasible to make them bomb-proof.

Statement

Details of incidents and losses

(Rs. in lakh)

Date of Incident	Name of the Pipeline	Location and State	Estimated losses
9.1.2004	Production Pipeline from Rudrasagar Group Gathering Station-IV to Rudrasagar Group Gathering Station-I of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC)	Near Kunwarpur Gaon, Rudrasagar, (Assam)	2.18
16.1.2004	Digboi Tinsukia Product Pipeline (DTPL) of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. (IOCL)	Mamoroni Gaon, Digboi, (Assam)	16.0
20.3.2004	Crude oil Trunk pipeline of Oil India Limited (OIL)	Ratanpuria Village, Sivasagar, (Assam)	25.9
15.7.2004	Crude Oil Trunk pipeline of OIL	Porajhar Village, Jalpaiguri, (West Bengal)	109.98
10.3.2005	Crude oil Trunk pipeline of OIL	Jorabari, Kathalbari, Sivasagar, (Assam)	2.86
10.3.2005	Crude oil Trunk pipeline of OIL	Deka Gaon, Jorhat, (Assam)	28.38
6.8.2005	Crude oil Trunk pipeline of OIL	Bakchu Konwar Gaon, Sivasagar, (Assam)	27.44
7.8.2005	DTPL of IOCL	Tengapani Tea Estate, Lankashi, (Assam)	27.1
15.01.2006	Guwahati-Siliguri Product Pipeline of IOCL	Palsguri Village, Chirang, (Assam)	43.67
21.1.2006	DTPL of IOCL	Tingrai Bongaon, Digboi, (Assam)	20.3
12.11.2006	DTPL of IOCL	Habeda Tea Estate, Makum (Assam)	45.1
14.11.2006	Main trunk pipeline from Lakwa Central Tank Farm to Moran Central Tank Farm of ONGC	Assam	—